GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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FUNCTIONAL STATUS OF NEIGRIMS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to provide full Functional Status to the North- Eastern Indira Gandhi Regional Institute of Medical Sciences(NEIGRIMS);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to give additional incentives to attract qualified and experienced Faculty;

(d) whether the proposal for declaring NEIGRAMS as a National Institute is under consideration of the Government;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reason therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b): The Government of India has approved the NEIGRIHMS project at Shillong at an estimated cost of Rs. 422.60 crore which provides for teaching at Post-graduate level in 35 specialties/ super-specialties with a 500 bedded referral hospital and a Nursing College. The Civil Works of the Institute is substantially completed and it is in the process of procuring equipment. As of now, the hospital of the Institute has started functioning with 315 beds with functional departments in 5 clinical departments of Paediatrics, Cardiology, General Medicine, Gastroenterology and Radiation Oncology, 5 surgical departments of Urology, Orthopaedics, CTVS, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, GI Surgery and 4 supporting departments of Radio diagnostics, Pathology, Microbiology and Anaesthesiology. The School of Nursing has already started functioning from the academic year 2006-07. The process of recruitment for faculty and other posts is underway. With the appointment of faculty and other staff and commissioning of equipment, the Institute will start functioning to its full strength.

(c); The Institute had submitted a proposal for grant of additional incentives to its faculty. After consideration of the proposal, the Institute has been advised to recast the proposal for each incentive proposed, keeping in view orders of Government of India on the subject.

(d) to (f):A proposal for declaring NEIGRIHMS as a National Institute was received from the Institute. After examination, the Institute was advised to initiate the proposal after operationaHsing the hospital and Institute fully.